Abstract of the Disclosure

To provide an image forming apparatus in which: a memory having a large capacity becomes unnecessary, and many types of information such as a type of replacement part—can be utilized for the control of an image forming apparatus or the like. Therefore, the present invention includes: a replacement part including a storage medium into which identification information inherent to the replacement part is written; and an apparatus main body having an information acquisition unit that, based on the identification information obtained from the storage medium of the replacement part through the communication unit, acquires information on the replacement part from a storage unit provided to an element other than the replacement part; and a management unit that manages a usage state of the replacement part in accordance with the information on the replacement part acquired by the information acquisition unit.